
Subject: Re: Beginner: Oplot line $t^{(-5/3)}$

Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Mon, 12 Nov 2012 20:25:56 GMT

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On Monday, November 12, 2012 11:20:31 AM UTC-5, Charlie Paul D'auria wrote:

> Hi there!

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> Please bear in mind that I am a complete IDL beginner so excuse any foolishness!

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> I have managed to plot an XY graph with data plots.

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> My problem lies with my next stage: I need to generate a line of gradient $t^{(-5/3)}$ (then use oplot over my data).

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> I get the error 'Attempt to subscript T with I is out of range.' and when I type print,line I only get one value for my line...

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> Here is some code I was provided with as a guide, which I have modified slightly:

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> line=dblarr(9999)

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> n=1E-4

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> t=dblarr(9999)

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> for i=0,9999 do begin

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> t(i)=i

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> line=n*t(i) ^{$-5/3$}

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> endfor

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The other posters showed you how to vectorize your problem. I'll point out the problem with your code.

A FOR loop from 0 through 9999 contains 10000 elements, because 0 is included in the count. Therefore you should dimension your variables with 10000 elements.

The IDL Way is that a variable declared like this,

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T = dblarr(N)
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Is stepped through like this,

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FOR i = 0L, n_elements(T)-1 do begin ...
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Note the "-1"

Craig
